

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS

Goals and Strategies for 1988

Legislation Division - Interim Six-Month Report

25X1 Oversight Legislation: We continued our efforts to oppose the bill or minimize its objectionable effects should the President not veto it. As a result of our efforts, several provisions have been favorably modified. The Administration, however, is still strongly opposed to the bill and will likely veto it should it go to the President's desk.

25X1 Statutory Inspector General: In the wake of the Iran-Contra matter, the Senate introduced legislation to establish within the Agency an Inspector General who would be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. The DCI and other Administration officials testified before the Senate Intelligence Committee on this measure. As a result of strong opposition to the bill, the Senate Intelligence Committee added a compromise provision to the FY89 Intelligence Authorization Bill, which considerably dilutes the original proposal.

25X1 Drug Legislation: In January 1988, drug legislation was not a highly visible issue. As the legislation began to "pick up steam" in the spring, however, the Division began to analyze its various versions, identify provisions of concern and work with the Congress and the Administration to address those concerns. We are continuing these efforts, responding to various provisions in the omnibus bills, including the "Anti-Stonewalling Act" amendment, the "drug czar" provisions and various other items of concern.

Miscellaneous Legislation: The Division continues to monitor various legislative items, inform Agency components of their status and secure legislative action on these where necessary. These include polygraph legislation, trade legislation, various employee benefits items, measures addressing retirement, and the like.